

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

November 4, 1999

Patrick G. Shilling, Treasurer Republican Party of Wisconsin -Federal Committee 148 E. Johnson Street Madison, WI 53701

Identification Number: C00074450

Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/99-6/30/99)

Dear Mr. Shilling:

On October 13, 1999, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your October 24, 1999 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

In your response, you state that because of the establishment of "a Building Fund, the Republican Party of Wisconsin-Federal Committee does not make rent payments." Please note that the building fund exemption applies only to funds donated specifically to defray the costs of constructing or purchasing a party office building, not to funds used to pay for rent or other operating costs. Therefore, you must report costs associated with the maintenance of your headquarters as administrative expenses if such expenditures rise to the itemization threshold.

If this information is not received by the Commission within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Andrea S.

Wilkens on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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